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I know not what record of sin awaits me in the other world; but this I do know, that I never was mean as to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.

—John A. Andrew.

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WILLIAMSTOWN AND NORTH ADAMS.

Our beautiful neighboring town is one of the most attractive features of the varied surroundings which form, as it were, the setting that helps to make our bright city a conspicuous Berkshire brilliant. North Adams is more noted for its enterprising business spirit and rare industrial advantages than for its natural beauty; a bright diamond, rough-cut perhaps but genuine all the same, with real worth sparkling from it and shining in through and through.

Williamstown, lying over there under the shadow of Greylock and on the banks of the united Hoosicks, in regal grace and quietude, "in those fair vales by nature formed to please," our queen of northern Berkshire beauty, is a fair and highly-prized companion indeed. The influence of her quiet, social refinement and repose, and the benefits of her cultured collegiate circles are needed by our busy, practical city. The influence of the stirring activities over here are needed, in return, over there.

The two places are so closely united now that the interchange of helpful influences will be far more liberal and mutually beneficial than ever before. In fact it would not surprise us, after a few more years of the rapid growth of our city such as is now being experienced, to see Williamstown become a favorite place of residence for many people having their business over here. It is already a favorite resort for a large number of city visitors, and the closer relations established between these communities will tend to materially increase the number of such visitors, who are considering the desirability of making real estate purchases for summer or permanent residence.

We have a belief that Williamstown and North Adams, working together for that purpose, can give to the delightfully attractive college town a popularity as a summer and autumn resort that will exceed that of fashionable Lenox, at the other end of the county. The benefits of this will be felt very materially, not only in that immediate town, but in the Powells to the north and in South Williamsburg, Hancock and Lanesboro lying along that picturesque drive from Williamstown to Pittsfield.

The character of Williamstown's visitors and residents from the city will be much more helpful to the prosperity of the town than would that of such an ultra-fashionable set as is making Lenox celebrated. The former is a more desirable class for a community to cultivate and to offer inducements to for locating; substantial class of people, who prefer comfort to fashion, and refinement and beauty of surroundings to society displays. Williamstown has always been exceedingly modest in presenting its claims for consideration as a resort; perhaps it has caught from North Adams this idea of modesty, which in the case of our city has made it so blushingly conspicuous when wanting anything from a normalschool to a city charter.

Any way the two communities, as unlike as they are, need each other greatly. There is hardly any quality lacking in the one that may not be supplied by the other; for instance the quietude and modesty on the one hand may be greatly benefted by the active assertive qualities on the other, and vice versa.

Williamstown and North Adams make an elegant cross-matched team of thoroughbreds, and can set a lively pace in a race for popular favor if they make up their minds to do so. They are in good condition to work together now and it would not be surprising to see a rattling boom underway in this end of the county during the coming year.

NORTH ADAMS' FIRST MAYER.

The Boston Journal of yesterday pays our first mayor the following compliment:

Massachusetts has a new city—it's thirty-second—and last Tuesday it elected its first mayor.

Major-elect, A. C. Houghton of North Adams is one of the most interesting figures in the state. Although he is Major-elect of his new city, he is not in that position by any desire. The office had no temptation for his ambition. When the bill was projected to make North Adams a city, he was one of the leading men of the town, but when he came to run for a safe and conservative, yet liberal and progressive, man for the mayoralty, Mr. Houghton was the first man thought of, though when the subject was broached to him he declined to consider it.

Mr. Houghton is one of the largest manufacturers in the state, being at the head of the Arnold print works in North Adams, and also having invested in a new mill now under way in the same town. The Arnold print works are very extensive also, standing next to the Merrimac mills of Lowell.

With all these interests upon his shoulders, Mr. Houghton had declined the honor, but when he was again approached and urged to inaugurate the policy of the city as its first mayor and start the wheels moving with system and method, he acceded to the will of the people. When it was known that he would accept, and particularly when it was known that he had been nominated in their municipal convention, so that he was entirely without a competitor for the mayoralty.

Mr. Houghton is a man of great system and method, and a master of details. He is a man of great nervous force, and his energy never fails. He is as enthusiastic as a lad in whatever he undertakes, and for a friend his efforts are always earnest and unflattering. That is one of his prominent characteristics—steadfastness and strong friendship are his.

He has done a great deal to build up his city, and is always devising ways to beautify it. His idea in municipal affairs is to

make the government a business affair, and so, by systematic methods and care, to secure for the municipality as much as possible by careful business management. The city charter is framed with this in view. The mayor has almost supreme power. He also has the entire responsibility. The charter is framed almost like a business corporation and Mr. Houghton intends to run it as such.

General Lew Wallace, speaking at a banquet the other evening of the possibility of war with England gave as his opinion of the result, the following: "Here is the conclusion: If we must fight, I wish it could be with England alone. Not that it would be an easy affair if the duel were single-handed, but that it would be a complete affair—a finality. It would go hard with us at first; but we would not be idle. Before a year there would be no British commerce, the interpretation of which is simply universal. British bankruptcy, and, at the end, as I see it, we would own everything on this side of the globe, from the Gulf of Mexico to the North Pole; second, Russia would be established in Constantinople, and hurrying the conclusion in British India. It all depends upon the constancy of our people; if they endure and go grimly on, the hour will come when we can effectively wake the democracy of England."

Our musical circles can be congratulated upon their recent valuable acquisition, which the new soprano of the Congregational church will prove to be. Miss Bowen was listened to Sunday with evident delight by the large audience gathered for Christmas services; and had the occasion permitted the appreciation would have been manifested with enthusiasm. She is said to be quite young, and quite honestly so we believe for a singer, and is also said to have had no musical training other than that afforded by a few lessons in Pittsfield last winter. But she comes of a musical family, her father and mother having been popular singers in Bennington, her home. A touch of pathos was given to her singing "Ring merry bells your joyous lay," Sunday, in the minds of those who were aware that it had been only a few weeks since she lost her mother. Miss Bowen will rapidly win musical and social favor here, and we prophecy that Prof. Mietzke soon will have the pleasure of knowing that his choice of a soloist is recognized as one of the favorite sopranos of western Massachusetts.

President Cleveland is a jingo. He has ranged himself in history beside those grand old American jingoes, George Washington and John Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson and Abraham Lincoln, and Benjamin Harrison. He has spoken for the nation in a tone worthy of the nation. He has served upon Great Britain intelligible notice that, although we are a peaceable people, we are prepared for anything rather than the surrender of a principle.—Boston Gazette.

We looked to the senate for an effort to stave the flame, and, behold, it too grabs a torch and runs out into the street crying "hurrah!" And we looked back to the president and beheld a great man rushing forth with a squirrel gun to beat back the conflagration.—Republican.

This, when in honor we are bound to a declared policy and trouble thickens about the president. For shame!

Here is an example of the dangers of woman suffrage in great cities. It comes on the authority of Colorado's governor who says of the last election: "The good women staid away from the polls while the immoral ones were driven to the polls, and voted whichever way the male bummers directed."

Governor McKinley's brother-in-law has been sued for \$30,000 for alienating a wife's affections. Quite possibly he is guilty. It seems to be a trick of the McKinley family. Harrison and Reed know this in several instances.

College professors do not know it all. They do not agree on their interpretation of the Monroe doctrine. The Chicago Record intimates that some of them would be bonified by a few days' attendance at some first-class grammar school.—Springfield Union.

Yankee Doodle was sung at the chief grain exchange of London Saturday morning, and was greeted with cheers, so a cable says. Good enough. There is a good deal of Yankee Doodle singing on this side too.

One sentiment expressed by Mr. Houghton to a group of friends gathered at a dinner Saturday evening was this: "It is my sincerest desire never to bring the least discredit upon any friend of the new city government or upon its charter. To that end I shall shape my action."

All now rests with the Venezuelan commission to be appointed by President Cleveland. A war cloud will shadow this country till that commission reports, and then will come sunshine or storm.

The New England Free Trade league passing resolutions condemning Mr. Cleveland and upholding Lord Salisbury! There never was any patriotism in free trade.

It is the time of peace on earth and good will toward men. The bible doesn't mention, however, what kind of a time it should be for the world's great land-rober.

The country is cooled off somewhat, but it can be made warm again if necessary. All are waiting now for the Venezuelan commission's report.

It looks like an issue of short time gold bonds, and the gold and greenbacks so acquired not to be paid out for current expenses.

Because of the open season thus far the winter can't be a long one unless it everlastingly lingers in the lap of next spring.

Lawrence Nichols of Adams Injured at the Local Fitchburg Depot.

The dogs of war are still kennelled. But any lion's growling will make them very uneasy.

"Only common sense required," is Gladstone's opinion of the Venezuelan trouble.

War excitement adjourned to await the Venezuelan commission's report.

Fred Chippendale, who is studying on the state ship, "Enterprise," is home for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. A. Simpson of Pittsfield is the guest of Mrs. J. D. Pease, 68 Bracewell avenue, Miss Jean Douglas Martin of Manchester, N. H., is spending the holidays with Mrs. John Morrison.

TRAVELLER'S GUIDE.

Fitchburg Railroad.

Corrected Dec. 18, 1895.

Trains Leave North Adams going East—11.27, 11.45, 11.53, 11.44 a. m.; 2.22, 14.30 p. m.

Going West—7.30, 10.45 a. m., 12.20, 1.24, 12.45, 11.45, 12.45, 12.40 p. m.

Trains Arrive from East—10.08 a. m.; 12.10, 1.24, 1.30, 1.35, 1.40 p. m.

From Worcester—11.45, 12.10, 1.15, 1.20, 1.25, 1.30 p. m.

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Boston & Albany Railroad.

Trains Leave North Adams, going South—8.20, 9.35 a. m.; 12.15, 3.40, 6.05 p. m.

Trains Arrive from South—8.20 a. m.; 12.05, 2.35, 5.50, 10.10 p. m.

Housatonic Valley Street Railway.

Leave North Adams—5.10, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10.15, 11.30 a. m.; 12.15, 1.45, 2.30, 2.50, 3.15, 4.45, 5.30, 6.15, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15 p. m.

Leave Adams—5.20, 6.10, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10.15, 11.30 a. m.; 12.15, 1.45, 2.30, 2.50, 3.15, 4.45, 5.30, 6.15, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15 p. m.

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vehicle and was jammed between the truck handle and the passenger train. The truck partly ran over him. The engineer of the freight train had his engine under control and soon brought it to a standstill, and then Nichols was taken to the office of Dr. Stafford where it was found he was injured about the breast and one of his wrists was badly sprained. He was taken home. The accident is a very unusual one. It is seldom a freight train approaches near enough to the depot when a passenger train is standing there so as to do any harm. The passenger train had pulled up for the depot and probably the freight engineer did not observe this and did not see he was coming too near. It is not believed Nichols is seriously hurt.

Harry Scriven spent Sunday at Johnsonville, N. Y.

Mrs. R. L. Talbot of North Church street left today to visit her husband's parents in Hinsdale, N. H., for a month.

A Household Treasure.

D. W. Fuller, of Canajoharie, N. Y.

says that he always keeps Dr. King's New Discovery in the house and his family has always found the very best result follow its use; that he would not be without it, if procurable. G. A. Dykeman Druggist, Catskill, N. Y., says that Dr. King's is undoubtedly the best Chung remedy; he has used it in his family for eight years, and it has never failed to do all that is claimed for it. Why not try a remedy so long tried and tested. Trial bottles free at Burlingame & Darby's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00.

Buckton's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Burlingame and Darby

TOWN TALK.

New items in silver ware opened today. W. H. Sperry & Co.

Angie Loomis Dunham wishes to announce to her patrons and the public that from this time her ladies' hair-dressing parlor, No. 68 Main St., Gatslick block, will be open from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m., and on Saturday until 10 p. m. She is better prepared than ever to do ball work as well as all general hair work. Appointments made as usual.

For the Holidays.

People looking for holiday gifts cannot do better than to visit Barnes' jewelry store where they will find a large and exceptionally choice display of jewelry, watches, silverware and all the various articles that go to make up the stock of a thoroughly first-class jewelry store. Mr. Barnes has selected his stock with especial care and his prices are, as usual, as low as can be placed on solid and reliable goods. By trading with Barnes one gets the benefit of long years of experience and is sure of square dealings, considerations that should not be overlooked by those who want to get exactly what they buy and get it for what it is worth.

I beg to inform my customers and the public in general that I am doing business in the rear part of my store, 55 Eagle street, and will continue to do so until my business troubles are settled. Any orders with which I may be favored will have my prompt attention, James O'Brien, fashionabler tailor.

The Columbia orchestra has been reorganized and will be hereafter under the direction of John Steele instead of Byron Briggs. The orchestra will be made up as follows: First violin, John Steele; second violin, Fred Hooker; cornet, F. B. Borrean; flute, Charles Steele; trombone, Frank Bosley; drums and traps, William Darling; piano, Edward Ashman.

—The tandem bicycle arrangement in Pennington's window attracts much attention and makes lots of sport. The woman's bloomers are especially admired. The arrangement is the work of F. A. Johnson, who made a great hit a year ago with a single rider, and who comes up to date this year with a pair on a tandem. Next year he will probably give us a tournament.

—The decorating committee of the charity ball men in the Wilson parlors Saturday to decide upon the decorations and other matters pertaining to the ball. The usual pine tree ornamentation will be used and the handsome banking of laurel about the stage will also be arranged. White and green bunting will be draped on the walls and with the various silk flags to be hung about the hall, the effect will be very pleasing. Several young men have offered to assist the ladies of the committee.

Gold and silver scarf pins, hat pins, etc., richly enameled in a variety of designs from 20 cents at L. M. Barnes, 5 Wilson block.

You will find the largest stock to select from, the finest and richest jewelry in beautifully enamelled gold, set with diamonds, rubies, sapphires, pearls and other gems, and you can purchase at really the lowest prices from an old reliable house at L. M. Barnes, 5 Wilson block.

—Five o'clock tea" and chafing dishes please the ladies. W. H. Sperry & Co.

Something Extra Fine.

In folding umbrella for a holiday present. Practical and convenient, can be carried in your grip bag. L. W. White, 50 Main street, jeweler, North Adams.

Gold scarf pins, richly enameled, holly branch, Diana's moon and many other designs set with pearls and diamonds from \$1.50 to \$7.50 at L. M. Barnes, 5 Wilson block.

Services will be held at St. John's church Christmas day at 7 and 10.30 a. m. Thursday evening the children's Christmas festival will be held in the church, beginning at 7 o'clock. A Christmas tree will yield presents for all the children of the Sunday school. There will be a carol service in connection with the event and the rector will make a short address. R. W. Illingworth is in charge of the decorations of the church, which will be quite elaborate, and the music under the direction of J. K. Smith, who has prepared an excellent program for Christmas day.

—February 10, 1896, W. E. Wood, the well-known caterer and hotel man, will take the management of the Mansion house, Greenfield, he having closed the contract which gives him a lease of the property for five years, beginning at that date. There has been a warm contest for the possession of the lease, Alf. Schott, the present proprietor desiring to renew his lease, and other hotel men made an effort to secure the management of the hotel, which is regarded to be one of the best in New England in point of

BOSTON STORE

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SUBURBAN NEWS.

Happenings of Interest in Our Neighbor Towns.

AT ADAMS TODAY.

Christmas Services at the Churches.
Festivities at the Town Farm.
Miss Davis Said to be Insane.At St. Charles Church.
There will be five masses at St. Charles church Christmas day, at the hours of 6, 7, 8, 9 and 11. The first three will be for members of the church; the 9 o'clock service for the children; and the last one is the high mass. Vespers and benediction will be celebrated at 7 o'clock and at that service, Rev. Fr. Purcell, a newly-ordained priest, will deliver his first sermon. He is a nephew of the late Rev. Fr. Purcell of Pittsfield. Confessions were heard at the church Sunday afternoon and evening by Rev. Frs. Moran and Coyne and Rev. Fr. Roux of Fitchburg. The service will be heard again this afternoon and evening and at the same hours Tuesday. Masses were celebrated today and will be tomorrow at the hours of 4:45 and 8 a.m. The Christmas music has been carefully arranged and rehearsed and will be very fine.

Miss Davis Considered Insane.

Miss Hattie E. Davis, who lives at the home of Joseph Morrison, on East Hoosac street, is considered insane by local physicians and authorities, and will be taken either to the asylum at Northampton or to the town farm. Miss Davis has been in bed six or eight weeks, considering her self seriously ill. One physician who examined her stated that she had symptoms of bilious fever, but contrary to this theory was the fact that she eats like a hearty man and can dispose of as much food. Another doctor stated that she has no physical ailment but is out of her mind.

Daughters of Rebekah Elect Officers.

The Daughters of Rebekah elected these new officers Friday evening: N. G., Mrs. Mattie Simmons; V. G., Mrs. Allie T. Wilde; treasurer, Miss Agnes Turnbull; trustee for three years, Mrs. Emily Ingraham.

Christmas at Notre Dame Church.

The mass at the church of Notre Dame Christmas morning will be at 8:30 and 10:30 o'clock. Vespers will be celebrated at 7:30 o'clock in the evening. Confessions will be heard Tuesday afternoon and evening by Rev. Fr. Triganne and Rev. Fr. Gerin of St. Justin, Canada.

Another New Years Dance.

Invitations have been issued for a private dance to be held at Odd Fellows' hall New Years eve. The committee of arrangements is made up of Mrs. M. E. Simmons, Mrs. A. Wilder, Mrs. L. O'Brien, Miss A. Beeler, Miss M. Rice, E. G. Ingraham, W. Andrews, W. Rice.

Christmas Trees at the Town Farm.

The inmates of the town farm-house will be given a pleasant reminder of happy days by the observance of Christmas customs, Tuesday evening, and among other things will have a Christmas tree.

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Mr. Waterman is prepared to take subscriptions for the TRANSCRIPT, daily and weekly. Under a special arrangement with the New York Tribune, the weekly TRANSCRIPT and the Weekly Tribune can now be furnished subscribers for the low price of \$1.50 per year for the two papers combined, cash in advance. Mr. Waterman will also receive orders for fine printing for social or business purposes. The TRANSCRIPT job printing office is doing artistic work equal to that obtainable in New York.

It is hoped that these newspaper and printing facilities, furnished for the first time to Williamstown people, may prove acceptable conveniences to them. The TRANSCRIPT intends to do what it can for this part of its growing constituency and believes its efforts will be appreciated.

Mr. Babbitt class '95, Williams college, was in town Saturday.

Harold A. Sanford is spending his vacation at home. He has been attending Burr & Burton seminary, Manchester, Vt.

The Misses Snyder of Burr & Burton seminary were guests of C. S. Cole Friday. They go to Boston for part of the vacation.

C. H. Taylor was in Lansingburg Sunday.

Marjorie, Burr and Ruth Mears are home from Vassar college.

Jennie B. Smith who is teaching in Poughkeepsie is home for the holidays.

Richard A. Rice, Jr., is home from school.

Henry Sabin and family are in town for a few days.

B. H. Sherman is placing in G. A. Wells' new house one of the celebrated Simmons boilers. Mr. Sherman finds this boiler to meet universal approval. The Joy radiator is used in Mr. Wells' house.

Miss Thompson will not teach next term. Miss Gavitt has so far recovered as to be able to commence her duties again.

Miss Rosalie Smith has been appointed organist of the North Reformed church of West Troy, commencing January 1.

The last meeting of the Grange under its old board of officers occurred last evening. At the next meeting in January new officers for the ensuing year will be chosen.

The Fitchburg yard is busy now. A new side-track is being built and the old tracks changed and improved. The present activity has caused the necessary enlargement.

Ernest Goodrich of Chambers drug store has decorated the large show windows with evergreen. No other store equals it.

Two large hot air furnaces, Richardson & Boynton make, are being placed in the new Episcopal church by B. H. Sherman.

Amos Belding has an entirely new feature in cutters. Call on him for cutters for the snow is very near at hand.

It is a pleasure to see Michael Kelly out again. He seems pleased also, and will probably be able to attend the town meeting to watch and correct affairs.

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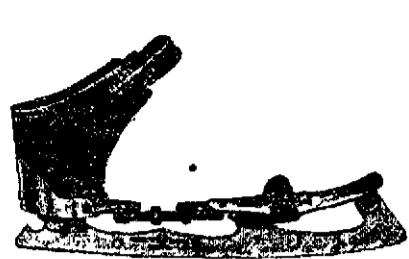
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WEATHER FORECAST.

[Special Despatch to the Transcript.]



Boston, Dec. 23.—12 Noon.
Washington, Forecast for Massachusetts. Partly cloudy weather, showers in western portion Tuesday, warmer, southerly winds.

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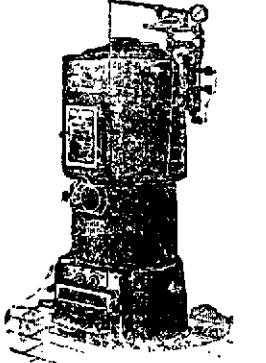
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IN BLEEDING ARMENIA.

Red Cross Society Needs \$100,000 to Carry on Its Work.

Sultan Thinks That Powers Do Not Mean Business.

Force is the Only Argument Which Will Bear Weight With Turks.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—An audience deep in sympathy with the Red Cross society movement for the relief of the Armenians gathered at M. H. Gulesian's lecture last evening in the Boston Young Women's Christian association building.

Mr. Gulesian spoke earnestly upon these three points, into which he divided the subject: "What Was the Cause of the Massacres in Armenia? Why the Powers do Not Interfere, and What the Red Cross Can Do."

After briefly picturing the Armenian life and character, and speaking of the treaty of Paris, after the Crimean war, by which the Christians of Turkey were guaranteed religious freedom, the lecturer stated that the Armenians made great progress in education and business, and the sultan became much alarmed. His fear increased after the Russo-Turkish war, following which a systematic persecution of the Armenians was instituted.

Mr. Gulesian stated that the sultan evidently knew that the European powers did not mean business.

The only argument which would bear weight with the Turkish government was force.

The United States, as a disintegrated nation which would not be looked upon jealously by the powers, should do something

In the Name of Humanity.

The speaker said he had heard people say that the United States had practically no army or navy with which to fight the Turk, but it seemed strange to him that there should be so much talk of war over the Venezuelan matter. They could not fight for the suffering and dying Armenians, but they could fight for some cause in Venezuela.

Speaking of Miss Barton's crusade, he said that, as the Red Cross society was an international order, it alone could penetrate into Turkey without interference on the part of the Turkish government. He thought this was the only hope left to the thousands of little children starving in the mountains, and he explained that the society could do a vast amount of good in the way of establishing hospitals, bureaus, etc. About \$100,000 would be required by Miss Barton before she could start, and he made a strong plea for assistance to the cause.

As a result of the lecture, several liberal contributions were made to the fund. Mr. Gulesian expects more in the course of the next few days.

Bridge Swept Away.

HARTFORD, Dec. 23.—The temporary bridge connecting the town of East Hartford with this city was carried away by the ice early this morning. The bridge had been unsafe for a month past, and though it had been strengthened at intervals, the ice had pressed against the spilings so strongly that they snapped like pie-stems when the heavy ice struck them. Travel over the bridge had been stopped for seven hours before it had been swept down the stream. The bridge was built by the Berlin Iron Bridge company, to take the place of the old East Hartford bridge which was destroyed by fire last summer.

Becoming Frequent.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Another serious incendiary fire occurred in the Boston and Albany railroad stock yards at Brighton late yesterday afternoon, when two large barns, containing 45 head of stock, a large quantity of hay, etc., were destroyed. The fire is the fifth of incendiary origin which have occurred in the same locality within the past few months. In every case the fires occurred about the same time in the afternoon and always on a holiday or Sunday. A wild steer and a number of hogs broke loose during the fire. Nobody was injured, however.

Sailed into Police Commissioners.

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 23.—Rev. C. L. White bitterly attacked the police commission from the pulpit yesterday for alleged non-enforcement of the prohibitory law, asserting that the commissioners could close 94 places where liquor is sold in one day if they said the places must close and meant what they said.

Officers Badly Handled.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 23.—Thomas Collier is under arrest, charged with assault with a knife on James Warren, Officers Warren and Quigley tried to arrest Collier for drunkenness. His entire family set on the two officers. Warren being stabbed. He is in a serious condition, while Quigley is badly hurt.

World-Be Nimrods.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 23.—Three boys, whose homes are in Malden, Mass., were arrested here yesterday as runaways. The lads were on their way to Boothbay Harbor, from whence they intended to go to Florida to shoot ducks. The boys were each about 13 years of age.

Paster Savage's Decision.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Rev. Minot J. Savage, pastor of the Church of the Unity, this city, states that he has decided to remain in Boston. He was considering a call to the Church of the Messiah, New York, as assistant to Dr. Collyer, the present pastor.

New England Briefs.

Georgiana Curley, 23 years old, drowned herself at Boston while insane.

Fire in the Central hotel, Providence, did damage amounting to \$2500.

George Myles, aged 28, was ground to pieces by a freight train at Chelmsford, Mass.

The Consolidated railroad is to expend \$2,000,000 in improvements in Bridgeport, Conn.

Boston dance hall proprietors have been called to either get licenses or close their places.

Oliver C. Randlett of Beverly, Mass., died from injuries received while track-walking.

Michael O'Brien, a Bradford (Mass.) farmer, was fatally injured in a collision of two teams.

Saturday's notice for the vicinity of Boston was the cause of a number of serious accidents.

Rose Alger, aged 6 years, died at Danbury, Conn., of hydrocephalus, supposed to have followed the bite of a dog which had previously been bitten by a rabid dog.

The Brockton Central Labor union voted to withdraw its endorsement of all shoe labels, except that of the Boot and Shoe Workers' union, the international organization recently formed.

S. C. Tandy, who shot at three persons on the street at Concord, N. H., was pronounced insane.

Robert Earle, who was confined in Andover (N. H.) jail and escaped, was recaptured at Fort Fairfield, Me.

The plant of the Putnam (Conn.) Foundry and Machine corporation was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of over \$20,000.

James J. Carney, aged 15 months, was scalded so badly by the upsetting of a kettle of water at Pawtucket, R. I., that he died.

From the Hub.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Nearly all churches in the city yesterday held special Christmas

PLEADING FOR PEACE.

Noted Preachers Deplore the War Talk of the Past Few Days.

Wickedness of War Pointed Out From Pulpits.

"Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men," Should Be the Ruling Thought.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—A number of pastors of New York city and Brooklyn delivered discourses yesterday upon the subject of a possible war with England. Rev. Charles H. Eaton, pastor of the Church of the Divine Paternity, preached a sermon on the wickedness of war.

It was deplorable, he said, that the day on which Christians were to celebrate the birth of Christ and proclaim from every pulpit the doctrine of peace, the nation should be eagerly waiting the ultimatum of statesmen and musing what war should fill the land.

In the course of his sermon, "Civilization's Debt to Christianity," Rev. Dr. Madison C. Peters of the Bloomingdale Reformed church said: "War is cruel, hateful, wrong. War is hell." The political demagogues who at this Christmas time are shouting for war will be branded by the second or other thought of the American people as the criminals of the 19th century. When these men had an opportunity to fight for their own land, when the Stars and Stripes were trailing in the dust, they sent substitutes.

"A war between England and America could never be terminated until one or the other went into bankruptcy or had no more men to fill the ranks. As the preacher of the Gospel of peace and universal brotherhood, I call for arbitration."

"Blessed are the peacemakers." I pray that England and America may look across the centuries and hear the angels' proclamation, "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

Rev. Dr. Parkhurst.

In the Madison Square Presbyterian church, took for his text, "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men." The sermon led up to the Venezuelan question, and he made a passionate plea for peace. He said in part:

"It almost seemed as though there were a providence in the way in which these Christmas days synchronize the year with events that are just now filling our hearts with disturbance and throwing an uncomfortable shadow across the track of the near future. Now, we do not care to beat about the bush in this matter, but for fear to go straight to the mark by saying that if Christendom wants to make the religion of Jesus, with its Bethlehem, its angelic choir and its anthem of 'Peace on Earth' a laughing stock to the ungodly and a contempt to the heathen, the best thing it can do will be to set the two foremost Christian nations of the earth to work blowing up one another's cities and blowing out one another's brains."

"Unless we utterly misconceive the sentiment of the Christianized masses, both here and on the other side of the water—I say unless we utterly misconceive that sentiment as it seems to be asserting itself in sober second thought—such an issue will be morally impossible."

"There will be no conflict that will go beyond the point of messages and pronouncements on either side, if the church of the Bethlehem Christ comes out and records its veto. Christianity both here and in England is too thoroughly an integral part of national life for armies and navies to clash in warfare. We are not here to discuss the international technicalities of the case."

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Off the Legs.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The North German Lloyd steamship Sprees was towed off Warden ledge, upon which she was run on Thursday last, by four tugs yesterday afternoon, and has proceeded to Southampton, apparently uninjured.

Several Sunday Battles.

HABANA, Dec. 23.—Several engagements are reported to have occurred yesterday, but none of them is regarded as important.

Electric lights and bells in every room. Freight Connections with the Fitchburg Railroad.

GEORGE W. GIBSON, General Passenger Agent, Troy.

G. W. HORTON, Vice-President, Troy.

WONDERFUL, BUT TRUE.

Mrs. Caleb G. Burnhart, North Petersburg, N. Y., says: "I have been troubled with granulated eyelids. Had them burned off several times and used different remedies for about 2½ years. Less than two bottles of

Smith's Eye Water

cured me. It is the best thing I ever used or heard of."

ALL DRUGGISTS. 22 CENTS.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Adams National Bank will be held at their Banking House in North Adams on Tuesday, the 14th day of January, next. \$2.50 a share, payable for voting purposes, to wit: first, to choose Directors for the ensuing year; second, to transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

J. S. WILKIN-ON, Cashier.

North Adams, Mass., Dec. 14, 1895.

services. Several of the pastors found time to make comment in their sermons on the difficulty with Great Britain over the Venezuelan boundary. In many cases the government was criticized for its aggressive course, and in the minister who touched on the subject protested against the United States taking up arms.

Rev. Dr. J. B. Brady, pastor of the People's Temple, said: "Any man who will jeopardize the interests of this great nation by bringing it to the verge of war, by defending any political or governmental measure, that would bring us to war with the greatest, most educated, most evangelizing sister or mother of ours on the other side of the sea—no matter who or what he is—is unworthy, unpatriotic, ignorant in his talk, and ought to be hushed."

The evangelizing, elevation, glorification of this world lies in England and America."

Rev. L. J. Lansing, pastor of the Park Street church, censured the government for its action in regard to the difficulty, and said that it had acted unwisely and unjustly, as was evidenced by the testimony of experts on international law.

Rev